GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the State Ministers of Rural Development of the North Eastern States recently met in their fifth conference at Sikkim;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the decisions taken at the Conference;

(c) the details of the Central funds allocated and sanctioned for Rural Development Projects in Assam and other States of the region during the last three years and till date, scheme-wise State-wise; and

(d) the progress made so far in implementation of the rural development schemes, State-wise?

Answer

MINSTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI U.V. KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a) A Conference of the State Ministers of Rural Development of North-East States was held on 5th September, 2003 at Gangtok, Sikkim.

(b) The following decisions were taken in the Conference

- The States in the Region would be provided transportation subsidy for movement of foodgrains under Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY).

- District Rural Development Agencies (DRDAs), which are not having their own building, would be assisted for construction of DRDA buildings and new DRDAs in the Region would be assisted for procurement of one new vehicle and computers.

- An exercise would be taken by the Ministry to identify traditional bodies in different States of the Region as implementing agencies.

(c)&(d) The details of the Central funds allocated and released, and the progress made so far, State-wise for the last three years and till date for major programmes of the Ministry of Rural Development, namely, Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), Sampoorna Grameen Rozgar Yojana (SGRY), Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) and Rural Water Supply (RWS), is given at Annexure.